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PATENT AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

(Provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 Apply)

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| Application Number | 09/669,815 | Filing Date | September 26, 2000 |
| Group Art Unit | 1753 | Examiner Name | Kishor Mayekar |
| Confirmation No. | 4229 | Attorney Docket No. | 782_133 |
| Inventor(s) | Yuichiro IMANISHI, Naohiro SHIMIZU and Shozo ISHII | | |
| Invention: | METHOD OF TREATING SUBSTANCE AND APPARATUS FOR CARRYING OUT THE SAME | | |

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Transmitted herewith an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as follows:**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

| (1) | (2) Claims Remaining After Amendment | (3) | (4) Highest Number Previously Paid | (5) No. of Extra Claims Present | (6) Rate (Large Entity) | (7) Additional Fee |
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| TOTAL CLAIMS | 11 | MINUS | 39 | | \$18.00 | \$00.00 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 1 | MINUS | 8 | | \$86.00 | \$00.00 |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | \$00.00 |

EXTENSION OF TERM

Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application. The requested extension and appropriate non-small entity fee are as follows:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> One Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$110.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Two Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$420.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three Month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | 950.00 |

TOTAL FEES DUE \$950.00

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is:

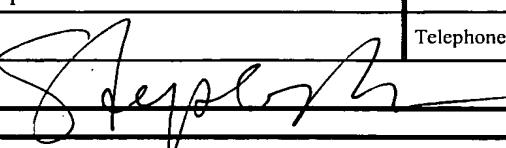
FEE PAYMENT

No additional fee is required.

A check in the amount of \$950.00 is enclosed.

Charge Deposit Account 50-1446 in the amount of \$_____ . Enclosed is a duplicate copy of this sheet.

Please charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-1446.

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| Submitted By: | | | | | |
| Name (Print Type) | Stephen P. Burr | Reg. No. | 32,970 | Customer No. | 025191 |
| Signature |  | | | Telephone | (315) 233-8300 |
| Signature | | | | Facsimile | (315) 233-8320 |
| Date | | | | | January 8, 2004 |

EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATE

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Date of Deposit: January 8, 2004

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